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Preliminary Statement by Superintendent Garry F. McCarthy Regarding Officers Shot-Karlov and Wilcox

At approximately 10:45 pm on July 18, 2011, Harrison district officers were on patrol in the area of Karlov and Wilcox. They attempted to conduct a street stop for the purpose of a field interview, when a male individual produced a weapon, fired several shots, striking both officers.

One officer, 29 years old with 4 years on the job, suffered a gun shot wound to the head. He is alert and is expected to recover.

The second officer, also 29 years old, with 3 years on the job, suffered a graze wound to the head and a gun shot wound to the left arm. The officers' names will not be released.

At this time we know that one officer returned fire. It is unknown if the offender was struck. He fled the scene.

A systematic search is being conducted to locate the offender and detectives continue to identify and talk to potential witnesses.

This information is preliminary. We will provide updates as information becomes available.

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